Winterizing of Route 460 Is Included In Road Projects

Approximately 175 road projects in Virginia will be put on a winter schedule November 1, and will remain under restrictions until next April when the construction season is resumed, the State Highway Department said today.

Preparations for winter include putting roads in suitable condition for travel, leaving the old road undisturbed, wherever possible, until work can be resumed next spring.

Where work can be continued without seriously interfering with travel, construction will be continued as the weather permits. Some of the largest projects that will move ahead during the winter are the $58,500,000 Hampton Roads Bridge - Tunnel System, the $15,-500,000 bridge over the Rappahannock River between Grey's Point and White Stone, a million - dollar bridge over the Pamunkey River at West Point, a multi-million dollar raidroad grade separation structure in Roanoke, a $1,600,000 railroad underpass and new road on Tidewater Drive in Norfolk, and an 80,000 distribution road in Waynesboro.

A Highway Department spokesman said that if the weather is favorable during the next month or six weeks, 25 or 30 projects may be completed or opened to traffic this year. Among these are the $900,000 Lexington by-pass, and four-lane construction on US 29-211 in Fauquier County near Warrenton. Because of approaching winter, the final bituminous surfacing on some jobs cannot be applied until next spring.

Other projects nearing completion included divided highway construction on US 340-522 between Front Royal and Winchester, on US 60 west of Richmond, and on Route 165 at Norfolk, reconstruction of Route 16 over Brushy Mountain between Sugar Grove and Marion, and the rebuilding of Route 42 from Churchville to Buffalo Gap in Augusta County.

To prepare for winter, highway maintenance forces have readied snow and ice removal equipment, and are stockpiling thousands of tons of chlorides and abrasives, such as sand and cinders, for use on slippery road surfaces. The road agency opened bids October 10 on 18,500 tons of sodium and calcium chloride which will be used to combat snow and ice.

Lynchburg District

Projects in the Lynchburg highway district include an extension of divided construction on US 460 between Lynchburg and Concord and on US 58 between Danville and South Boston, reconstruction of US 360 between Meherrin and Green Bay, and widening and straightening an old section of US 29 in Nelson County between Woods Mill and the Albmarle County line.

Also, reconstruction on Route 6 between Woods Mill and Martins Store, widening Route 47 between Charlotte Court House and Drakes Branch, modification of the intersection of Route 58 at the Park Avenue interchange in Danville. widening Route 501 at Brookneal, and construction of several secondary road projects.

On US 460 between Lynchburg and Roanoke in the Salem highway district, all work will be on new location during the winter. The projects include reconstruction of three miles of old road between Elk Creek and Big Otter River west of Lynchburg, and a proposed extension of divided highway on US 460 between Bedford and Roanoke. Bids on the latter project, which would take the divided highway to 10.5 miles west of Bedford, were received by the Highway Commission on October 19, but contracts have not been awarded.

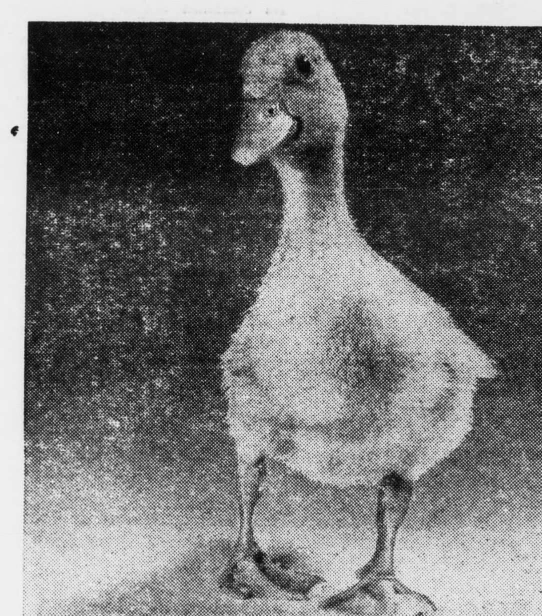
The work on US 460 east of Lynchburg and on US 58 between Danville and South Boston is parallel construction which will not effect traffic. The reconstruction of US 360 between Meherrin and Green Bay also will be held to new location and all road previously graded will be surfaced for winter travel, Resident Engineer J. L. Parker, of Dillwyn, said. The project involves widening the road and heavy grading to cut down hills for longer sight distance.

Construction on US 29 between Woods Mill and the Albemarle County line will be confined to relocations, roadside grading and drainage structures and there will be little interference with traffic.

Resident Engineer E. L. Alsop, of Halifax, said most of the work that can be done without interfering with traffic on Route 47 between Charlotte and Drakes Branch has been completed and the old road surface will not be disturbed until spring.

SAVED BY COPTER

Argyle, Maine,- Three little girls, the oldest 12, were rescued by a helticopter after a dismal night spent in a cold, rain-swept swamp. Myrna, 12; Alice, 8, and Ann, 5, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carey, became lost from their home. Scores of volunteers scoured woodlands throughout the night to find them. Two men pushed 3 miles into a bog and found the trio about 8 A. M. the next morning. They were picked up by a helticopter from Dow Air Force Base, Bangor, and set down in their parents' farmyard.



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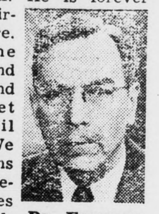
Self-Portrait

Lesson for October 30, 1955

THERE are people who don't care how they look to other people; they have no particular long-range plans or pattern of life, they live (as they might say) by ear. We call such persons extraverts; they never stop, so to speak, long enough to look into a mirror. There is an opposite kind of person who is painfully interested in himself. He is forever looking into a mirror, as it were. He makes the most careful and detailed plans and is quite upset when a detail goes wrong. We call such persons introverts. In between these types is a more balanced sort of person. If one could "type" Jesus of Nazareth he would be the balanced sort, by all means. He was self-conscious enough to know and care what he was doing, but not in the least self-centered.



Dr. Foreman

Action Portrait

Jesus once had the opportunity, which to some young people is a rather frightening thrill, of speaking to a crowded audience in his own home town. He knew what was in nearly everybody's mind: "Give an account of yourself. Who do you think you are and what do you think you are doing?" To them he was just a home-town boy; but they had heard of strange things he had said and done, and they wanted to hear him talk. So he had the opportunity on a Sabbath Day of speaking in the synagogue. As he read the Scripture for the day, from Isaiah 61, Jesus stopped in the middle of a sentence, and sitting down (as teachers did in those days) he said, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled . . ." In other words, as Americans would put it. This is it. This is my plan of life. This prophecy, hundreds of years old, describes what I am and what I am doing. In short, Jesus took this prophecy to himself, as a self-portrait. It is more like a motion picture than a still picture; it expresses what he was, in terms of what he did.

For Others

That, by the way, is typical of the Bible way of describing people. Adjectives like "good," "merciful," "truthful," always have verbs behind them. Adjectives describe actions. A man does not have one kind of character and another kind of action. His actions are his character,—not his external actions alone, but together with the motives and intentions which are a true part of every act. Now Jesus describes himself and his plan for life not only in terms of action, but of action in relation to other persons. John Wesley says somewhere that when Christianity ceases to be social it is not any longer Christian. The idea that any one can become a higher type of Christian by retiring permanently from the world, devoted exclusively to prayer and contemplation, is a notion not derived from Jesus. For him, the meaning of life is in contact with other persons. But note the sort of person Jesus mentions: the poor, the captives, the blind, the bruised . . . the very people so many of us avoid. Most people jump at the chance to get their pictures taken with famous people. Jesus' self-portrait was a picture of him with obscure people, people in trouble. What would happen in a community if every church member became more interested in doing something for people than in "doing" people?

For All Others

What really enraged those churchgoers of Nazareth was not that Jesus was dedicated to helping others. That was fine, they were all in favor of it. The thing that raised them to murder-heat was that he drew no lines. He was for helping one and all, yes even Gentiles. What Jews of that day thought of Gentiles is expressed in a passage from a popular book written about the same time as the New Testament: "For our sakes you (God) made this first-born world. But as for the rest of the nations which are sprung from Adam, you have said they are nothing and are like spittle." (II Esdras 6:56). So when Jesus made it clear that he (like Elijah and Elisha before him) would draw no race or national lines, that he intended to carry God's love to the last and least of men, these race-proud Nazarenes threatened to lynch him.

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Pine Bark Beetles On Rampage Again

Southern pine bark beetles have been increasingly active in the past several months in Central Virginia, according to C. L. Morris, Insect and Disease Investigator for the Virginia Division of Forestry.

Aerial surveys over the counties of Buckingham, Cumberland and Prince Edward during late September have shown an alarming increase in the number of pines recently killed by this destructive pest. A visit to some of these spots on the ground revealed that although this present upsurge of beetles has tapered off somewhat, the danger of another period of renewed attack is ever-present because of the new broods of beetles which are presently emerging from the dead trees.

Now is the most opportunine time to salvage beetle-killed trees for sawtimber and pulpwood. Buyers for all the pulpwood mills in the area are presently buying sound beetle-killed timber and paying the same price as for green wood. Take advantage of this temporary situation to rid your woodlot of these pests.

Remember: it is important to cut a ring of apparently healthy pines at least two deep completely around the beetle-killed pines. This insures that you remove all infested trees from the spot and will reduce possibilities of any future attack.

Don't wait until next spring to complete your salvage operation. By then the new broods of beetles may be on the rampage again.

CALL COST $422

Baltimore, Md.- A telephone call from an outdoor booth on a highway cost Roland V. Long, of Shelbyville, Delaware, $422.10. After making the call, Mr. Long discovered his wallet, which he had taken out of his pocket in the phone booth, was missing. It contained $422, mostly in $20. He drove back to the booth but his wallet had disappeared.

The British Government will sharply reduce expenditures to "expand success and curb excess."

Lane is signed by St. Louis Cardinals as general manager.

Around Your Home

By Frances Dell

A great deal can be done with a dozen roses, carnations or gladioli. By adding some unusual foliage, such as croton leaves, or diffenbachia, you can create a very modern arrangement.

With twelve carnations and seven ti leaves, you would want to start with four flowers as the main center line and five to the right side of the center, leaving three for the left side.

Next place the leaves forming the same outline leaving two of the slenderest leaves to be curled as a bow. Always place your smallest flowers to the outside, bringing your largest flowers to the center and the base of the arrangement.

For an unusual effect with the dozen roses, do a take-off on the vertical shape or the logarithm curve. To make it more interesting, choose your container for its unusual qualities. You will need no foliage except the rose leaves.

With a dozen glads you can make two instead of one arrangement. Use seven for one arrangement and five for the other. Pick a pillow-type vase for the arrangement of seven. Use the natural foliage to fill the arrangement. A shallow bowl should be used for the five remaining.

Cut all five stems at different lengths. Place your tallest stem in the center of a pin-point frog, then one about two-thirds its height to the right of the center line curving to the center. Then place the shortest stem in the front of the center one, leaning forward a slight bit.

Next break the tips with five or six buds out of the remain[ing] and fill the bowl around [the frog] hiding the frog. Add a few [sprigs] of huckeberry around the [base to] break the straight line of [the stems].

Like in any other art, the untold amount of personal [pleasure in] creating with your own han[ds an ar]rangement of flowers for [a spec]ial occasion.

FOURTH SET OF TWIN[S]

Auckland, New Zealand.- [Mrs.] S. Featherston, wife of a [...] timber worker, recently g[ave birth] to her fourth set of twin[s,] and a girl. The other twin[s are] girls. The Featherstons hav[e] other children—a boy and girls—bringing the total to [...]

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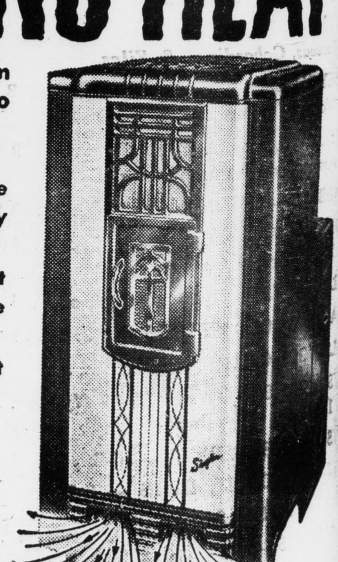

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[F]ARM NEWS

By Jim Smith
County Agent

[Se]lect Fast-Gaining Bulls For Herd Sires

[...] C. M. Kincaid, animal husband[man,] V. P. I. Agricultural Experiment Station, and his co-workers, [have] completed a long-range [study in] which they computed how [...]bility to make fast gains a [...] likely to inherit from its sire. [...] heritability of growth rate [...] is in the neighborhood of [...]

[It] follows that if you select [...] sires, you'll likely have [...] calves. It seems type [has little] or no realtionship to how [...] the cattle will convert [...] grain to meat. Selection [...] type and rate of gain is [...] trend.

[...] 1/3 of bulls classed as fast- [...] will be near or below aver[age when it] comes to passing along [...] to their offspring. Pro[geny testing] will weed them out, [...] progress than bull-test[...] Rate of growth of [...] to weaning can be used to [...] the breeding value of sires, [...] are all mated to the [same kin]d of cows.

[The] average daily gain of Virginia's present beef population is 1.90 pound. Dr. Kincaid says that if cattlemen will select fast-gaining bulls for sires, then follow up with progeny testing, the average rate of gain could easily be stepped up to 2 pounds a day within the next five to seven years. This is a potential increase in beef production, keeping numbers static, of 9,000,000 pounds a year in Virginia. At the present rate of gain, cattlemen would have to add about 15,000 head weighing 700 pounds each to achieve that increase in beef production.

Since the project began in 1947, a total of 117 bulls have been on feeding tests. Progeny tests have been completed on 36 of the bulls, and the others are being completed now.

The fast-gaining bulls used in the test had an average daily gain of 2.22 pounds per day. Their progeny gained 1.82 pounds (steers), and 1.59 pounds (heifers). The slow-gaining bulls used in the test had an average daily gain of 1.66 pounds per day. Their progeny gained 1.73 (steers), and 1.53 (heifers) pounds per day.

Dr. Kincaid figures that if a farmer used bulls with a rate of gain of 2.50 pounds per day, kept information on progeny testing, and replaced the bulls that sired below-average calves, it would be possible for him to increase production by 30 pounds per year per calf over the average.

The information gleaned from the tests already is being used in Virginia's beef cattle record of production program. There are now about 75 herds enrolled in the Beef Cattle Improvement Association program, which makes use of performance testing. Another 75 herds will be added this year. Appomattox County beef cattle producers are encouraged to enroll their herds in this program. At present time, there is no charge for this service.

You can't tell by looking what bulls will make the most money for you.

Market Hogs At 180 to 200 Pounds

Market your hogs at weights of 180 to 200 pounds. Unless your feed program is extremely economical, additional pounds will mean less profits.

Select the very best gilts out of your market hogs, and breed them to replace some of the older, off-type, poor-producing sows in the herd. When selecting gilts, keep in mind weight for age, good meat type, trim jowl, and shoulder, trim and straight underline with at least 12 well-placed teats, and straight, sound feet and legs.

What about runt pigs? Some are runts because they've inherited slow growth characteristics. Others result from poor feeding.

Feed sows a good ration before farrowing with enough protein, vitamins, and minerals, along with home grown grain. Feed sows a balanced sow-and-pig supplement during the nursing perod and creep-feed nursing pigs a balanced ration.

Pen litters according to age, so older pigs won't rob the younger ones. Control external and internal parasites. Then, if in spite of all these precautions, you still have runts, pen them separately. Buy, or have mixed, a highly fortified ration that includes extra antibiotics and vitamin B12 and other vitamins such as riboflavin, niacin and pantothenic acid. Feed this free choice until the runts have gained the proper weight. weight.

Winterize Farm Machinery

With freezing weather coming on it's time to winterize farm machinery. It's also a good idea to get your machinery in shape to operate next spring.

On auxiliary motors, remove chaff and dirt from radiator screen and motor block. Drain the crankcase and replace new oil with an approved rust inhibitor. Run the motor several minutes to coat all surfaces with oil. Drain the radiator and flush with a reliable radiator cleaner; then flush the cleaner out with clear water.

For spray equipment, flush the entire system. Remove all drain plugs, run pump a few minutes, and then lift every valve ball while the pump is running to reelase any trapped water. Remove and place valve balls and noozles in bucket of oil. Drain old oil from drive end of pump and flush thoroughly with kerosene. Refill pump with new oil to overflowing. Grease and outfit the turn shafts to distribute grease on shafts and bearings. Hang hose up so all water is drained out.

On all machinery, clean the dirt, stems, and leaves from crevices and from behind shields. Pack all bearings with greaes to seal out moisture. Remove belts and canvasses and store in a dry, rodent-proof container. Apply a rust inhibitor to all polished surfaces such as plow moldboards and sieves. Inspect the machine for broken or bent parts, and plan to repair or replace them during the winter.

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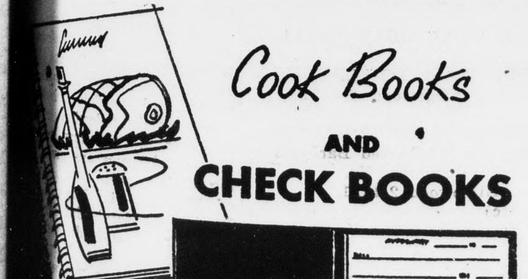

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Vera

Vera, Oct. 24.- "For God so loved the world; that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosover believeth on him shall not perish but have everlasting ife." —John 3:16.

We are still having beautiful weather. Farmers are busy sowing their crops.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey recently were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. T. C. Harvey, Jr., Sandra Kay and T. C. III.

The Group meeting of the James River Association and the W. M. U. of New Hope Baptist Church held their meeting on Friday. The churches were well represented, the speaking was good, and the Rev. J. H. Anderson's lecture on the Holy Land was so plain you almost felt like you had seen the many places that he had visited. It was well worth hearing. The ladies served a bountiful dinner and everyone seemed to enjoy the day. The Group meeting of the James River Association will be held next year with the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

Mrs. T. C. Harvey and Mazie were in Lynchburg on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reynolds visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lewis on Tuesday.

Miss Patricia Alvis spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Mildred Alvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harvey in Richmond on Sunday.

Homemakers Items

Have trouble keeping up with pins and needles when you're sewing?

Maybe a wrist pincushion will solve your problem, suggest home economics specialists at V. P. I. A pincushion which slips on your wrist is always near when you need it, when cutting, basting, stitching, or pressing. When you are through using pins, put them back in the cushion rather than on the sewing table or ironing board.

To make a wrist pincushion:

Cut a 4" to 4½" square of loossely woven woolen or rayon fabric. Cut a piece of elestic the length of the underside of your wrist. Fold opposite corners of square together to make a triangle. Keep the right sides together. Place the elastic between the layers of cloth. Pin the edges of fabric together and baste.

Stitch a narrow seam around the open edges, leaving a 1½" opening along one side through which the pincushion cover is turned and stuffed. Back stitch ends. Trim the corners round. Turn and stuff firmly so the pincushion will stand up on your wrist. Sew up the opening with tiny overhand stitches.

Sew the free end of the elastic to cushion. A square, rectangular, or heart-shaped cushion can be made the same way.

Sweeten whipped cream with strained honey instead of sugar. V. P. I. nutritionists say it adds a wonderful flavor and keeps the cream whipped and firm longer.

Meat loaf is not so likely to stick to the bottom of the baking dish if you first lay strips of bacon in the pan. The bacon adds to the flavor, too.

TRAPPED BY PENNY

Cleveland, O.- Shortly after a passenger handed him five pennies for a tip, Lou Takacs, a taxi driver, was held up by a gunman and robbed of $10. Police arrested a suspect, who protested his innocense. Takacs remembered that one of the pennies had been blackened and had a dent in it. Sure enough, that penny was in the suspect's pocket.

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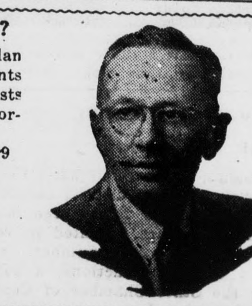

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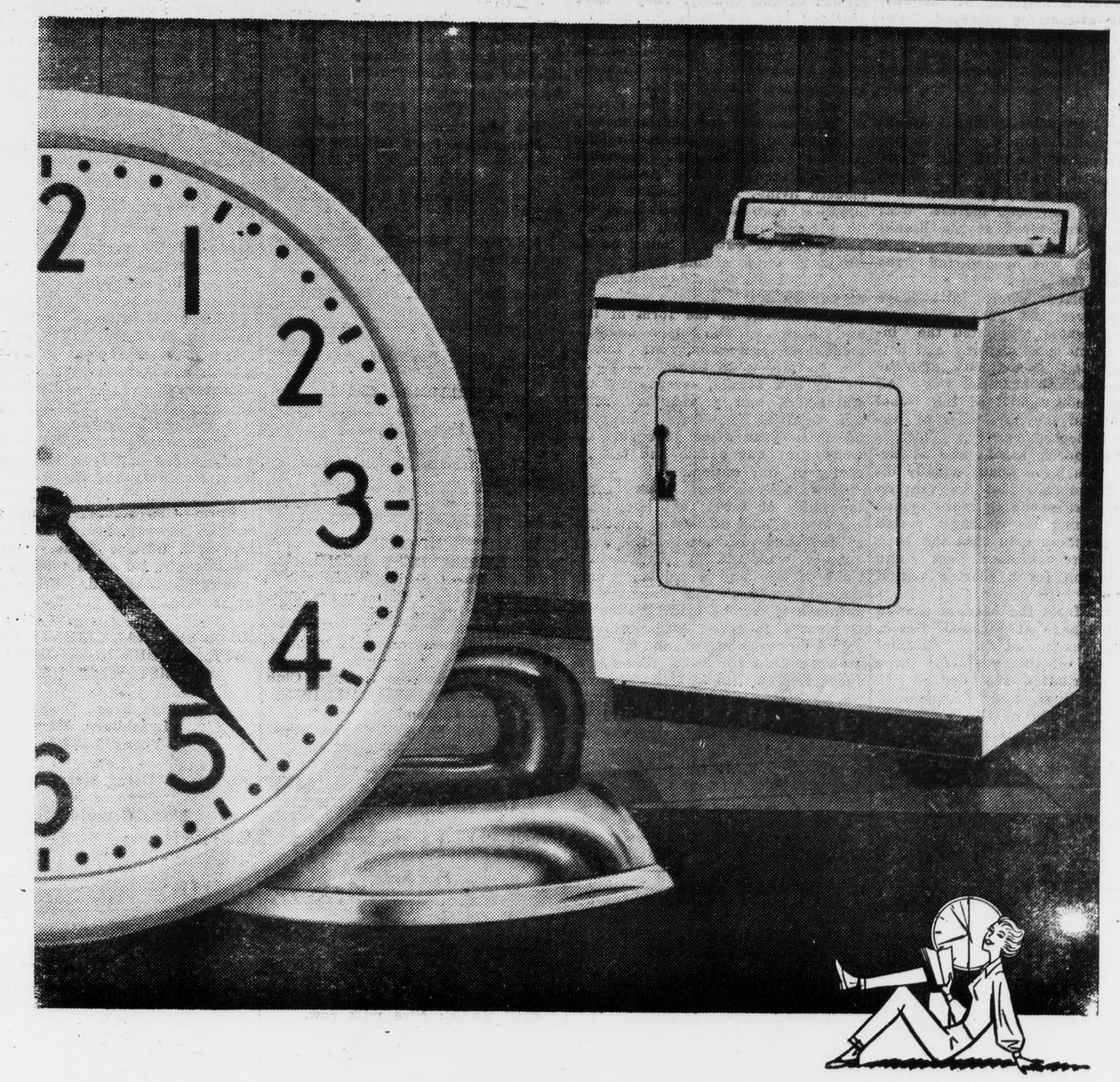

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